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### **Public meeting and comment period set for Poplar Island Environmental Restoration project**

**Baltimore, Md.** — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will host two public meetings to discuss a draft General Reevaluation Report and Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the Poplar Island Environmental Restoration project. The report evaluates the vertical and/or lateral expansion of the Poplar Island project, design modifications to the existing project, the addition of recreational and educational opportunities and the potential to accept dredged material from additional channels not currently specified for the existing project.

The first meeting will be held July 19 at the Talbot County Public Library, Easton Branch, 100 West Dover St., Easton, Md., in the conference room at 6 p.m., and the second July 20 at Tilghman Elementary School, 21374 Foster Ave., Tilghman, Md., in the cafeteria at 7 p.m. Staff will be available to answer questions one hour prior to meeting start times.

Both meetings will provide an opportunity for the public to present oral or written comments. The draft General Reevaluation Report and Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement and related information may be viewed at: <http://www.nab.usace.army.mil/projects/maryland/poplarisland/expansion.html>. They may also be viewed at the Talbot County Public Library, Easton Branch; Queen Anne's Public Library; Anne Arundel Public Library; Talbot County Public Library, Tilghman Island Elementary School Branch; and Enoch Pratt Free Library in Baltimore. Copies of the report have also been distributed to appropriate members of congress, state and local government officials, federal agencies and other interested parties.

Comments must be received on or before Aug. 8 to ensure consideration in the final plan development. Written comments should be sent to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Attn: Mark Mendelsohn, Planning Division, P.O. Box 1715, Baltimore, Md. 21203-1715, or electronically to [mark.mendelsohn@usace.army.mil](mailto:mark.mendelsohn@usace.army.mil). Electronic comments should be contained in the message text, not as attachments.